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Hughes on U. S. Foreign Policy He Says It Is Making for Peace

I AM glad," said former Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes recently, "to think that the more fundamental policies of our own government make for peace; not because we are a nation of pacifists—that is an illusion—but because our form of organization, our method of political action, our national disposition, favor the processes of reason. I know there are some who think that our government does not espouse with sufficient ardor the cause of business expansion abroad, that it is a mistake to withhold desired assurances of support when American interests seek opportunities in other lands, and other governments are held up as patterns of the sort of governmental enterprise and backing which would assure success in a world of competition. It would be a mistake for the executive branch of the government to offer assurances which it could not make good; to give to other countries an impression of interference, none the better because more pretended than real; to develop among other peoples the suspicion and lack of confidence which such a policy inevitably produces.

A Confident Policy

Our policy rests on the conviction that, given an equal opportunity abroad, fair and equal dealing, American business men can take care of themselves. It is because of this policy that American capital is welcomed in many countries needing development, because it is believed that business enterprises sponsored by our business men are not associated with governmental intrigue. Our government does not play favorites among American business men, and it seeks for all—and, I think I may say, with increasing success—the open door of opportunity. I believe that the government has, or should have, the strong support of business organizations in maintaining this intelligent restraint. It is a restraint not as generally recognized as it should be.

Imperialism and Bankers

There are some who have an inveterate although mistaken notion that our government cherishes an imperialistic policy. They get political headaches from eye-strain caused by the effort to see what does not exist. They imagine, for example, that they discover a government controlled by bankers. To the bankers themselves, conscious of the extent and inevitable risks of their unaided efforts, such charges must seem to be the perfection of irony.

The truth is that investment in foreign loans is, and must be, a private affair. The business men of America know that the government is not going to involve itself or promise the aid of military forces to collect debts. Naturally, the department of state has desired information as to transactions with foreign governments. While the government does not control private investments, it has wished in the interest of general peace and sound conditions of commerce to discourage loans for unproductive purposes, and especially such as would be thought to strengthen military establishments in a world that needs more of reason and less of arms."

Brevity Is the Soul of Wit Great Frenchman Proves It

Of all writers, La Rochefoucauld, Frenchman, learned best that brevity is the soul of wit. When the grave closed over him the world had less than 1000 paragraphs to remember him by, yet he stands there centuries later, in the forefront of the world's great writers.

No philosopher has gone deeper into human conduct than La Rochefoucauld, who wrote that philosophy triumphs easily over past and over future evils, but present evils triumph over philosophy.

These are some of his observations on humans: "A man often fancies that he guides himself when he is guided by others; and while his mind aims at one object, his heart insensibly draws him on to another." "Strength and weakness of mind are badly named—they are, in fact, nothing more than the good or bad arrangement of the organs of the body.

"Hatred of favorites is nothing less than the love of favor. The mortification of not possessing it is consoled and relieved by the contempt we show of those who do possess it; and we refuse them our respect because we cannot deprive them of what attracts the respect of all the world.

"Although men pride themselves on their great actions, these are often the result, not of any great design, but of chance.

"We often persuade ourselves that we love people more powerful than we are; and yet it is interest alone which produces our friendship. We do not associate with them for any good that we wish to do them, but for that which we would receive from them.

"Men would not live long in society if they were not the dupes of each other.

"Old men are fond of giving good advice, to console themselves for being no longer in a position to give bad example.

"A man of wit would often be embarrassed without the company of fools.

"We seldom praise but to be praised. "Hope, deceitful as she is, serves at least to conduct us through life by an agreeable path.

"A truly virtuous man is he who prides himself upon nothing."

Leading French Woman Lawyer Visits America



Mile Marie Verone, the first French woman to be admitted to the bar in Paris, and a leading suffragette, is attending the International Council of Women, in Washington, and conferring with American suffrage workers.

STOLEN!

A tramp had been admitted to the casual ward of an English workhouse late one night, and the following morning he appeared before the master.

"Have you taken a bath this morning?" was the first question he was asked.

"No, sir," answered the man in astonishment; "is there one missing?"

NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS ON FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that bids will be opened on May 18, 1925, at eight o'clock P.M. by the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance, in a regular meeting assembled, for the purchase of a franchise for the laying of pipe lines, and erection and maintenance of telephone lines along said pipe lines, within the following described boundaries, in the City of Torrance, in pursuance of an application of the Petroleum Midway Company for such franchise filed with the City Clerk of the City of Torrance: Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of Cedar Avenue with the northerly line of Redondo Boulevard; thence westerly along the northerly line of Redondo Boulevard and the projection thereof to the City limit; thence southerly along the City limit through all its various courses and curves to its intersection with the northerly side of Plaza del Amo; thence northerly along the northerly side of Plaza del Amo to its intersection with the northerly side of Carson Street; thence westerly along the northerly side of Carson Street to its intersection with the easterly side of Cedar Avenue; thence northerly along the easterly side of Cedar Avenue to the point of beginning.

It is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance to issue such a franchise for a period of forty years to the highest bidder in consideration of the payment of at least One Dollar (\$1.00) per rod to the City of Torrance for each line of pipe laid, as and when the same is laid, and the further payment to the City of Torrance of Two Per Cent (2%) of the pro rata proportion of income as provided for by the statutes of the State of California. Said bids must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to cover the cost incident to the issuing of such franchise, and a certified check in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) as evidence of good faith, which \$500.00 is to be returned upon the completion by the franchise holder of at least one-half of the pipe line to be laid under such franchise. Checks of all unsuccessful bidders will be returned immediately.

Dated, Torrance, California, April 24, 1925. A. H. BARTLETT, City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

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Table with columns: NAME, Certificate No., Shares, Amount. Lists various shareholders and their respective amounts.

And in accordance with law and an Order of the Board of Directors made April 16th, 1924, so many shares of each parcel of stock as may be necessary will be sold at the office of the Narbonne Ranch Water Company Number Four, Lomita, California, on the 27th day of May, 1925, at 8 o'clock P.M. of such day, to pay delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

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